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Country: Germany/Russian Zone
Subject: Soviet Cover Organisation at Karlshorst;
Contract Between Soviets [redacted]

1. The establishment of undercover research institutes devoid of overt connections with Russia or Russian authorities in Germany has been handicapped by the reluctance of German personnel to commit themselves to such "illegal projects" without hope of Soviet support in case of trouble.
2. The Russians have attempted to allay German fears in this respect. One method consists of incorporating these projects in the Soviet enclave at Karlshorst in such a way that it might be affirmed or denied, at any given time, that a specific laboratory belongs to the enclave.
3. [redacted] has been assigned two houses on the edge of the Karlshorst enclave fence. The houses are completely surrounded by fences, but it is so arranged that the fences may be taken down at a moment's notice, leaving the establishment outside the enclave. In the event of an Allied inspection, [redacted] the Russians would offer up [redacted] and his colleagues for sacrifice rather than admit they had condoned any violation of the Potsdam Agreement.
4. [redacted] there are indications that the Russians intend to make experimental drops of captured Henschel 293 and 294 projectiles during the summer of 1947. The location of these tests is unknown.

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